



# LIFEgroup STUDY GUIDE

## What you will need to supplement this guide:

1. A copy of the outline provided for notes on this message (copy from message or downloaded from the COASTAL APP).
2. A Bible or Bible APP to refer to verses.

## **PURSUING LIFE TOGETHER** *SUNDAY MESSAGE REVIEW*

**NOTE to the LIFEgroup Leader:** This guide is provided as a tool to assist you in facilitating a structured discussion with your group. When used in conjunction with the outline notes and a Bible this tool will ensure that your group will *Engage Authentically*. The questions are merely recommended “talk starters”. It is important for you to let God help you navigate through the conversation as you *pursue life together* as a group.

### **OPEN IN PRAYER**

### **STARTER QUESTIONS:**

**Where have you seen God at work in your life since we last met?**

**What stood out to you from the message this week?**

### **MAIN IDEA:**

- REVIEW THE MAIN TOPIC OF THE MESSAGE. Allow time for discussion
- READ THE MAIN SCRIPTURE FROM THE MESSAGE OUTLINE.

**How did this verse speak to you in your life?**

- REVIEW THE SUB-TOPICS of the MESSAGE.

Have someone read each of the verses that were highlighted in the message, and briefly discuss.

**Is there an area that you feel God is speaking to you through this message?**

### **FINAL THOUGHTS:**

- SUMMARIZE the main idea of this message.

**Would anyone like to share your thoughts about what we discussed today?**

**How can we pray for you as a group?**

### **CLOSE IN PRAYER**

## PEACE OVER ANXIETY

“The Promise of Heaven: The Way of Salvation”

*“In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you **that I go to prepare a place for you?** And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that **where I am you may be also.** And you know the way to where I am going.”*  
Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?”  
Jesus said to him, **“I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.** If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

John 14:2-6 (ESV)

### The Promise of Heaven

*“I go and prepare a place for you...where I am, you may be also.”* John 14:2-3 (ESV)

*“One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, “Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!” But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.” And he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” And he said to him, “Truly, I say to you, **today you will be with me in paradise.**”*

Luke 23:39:43 (ESV)

“Heaven isn’t heaven because of streets of gold, or the presence of angels.  
Heaven is heaven because Jesus is there.”

- The Way of Salvation

*“I am **the way, the truth, and the life.** No one comes to the Father except through **me.**”*  
John 14:6 (ESV)

*“unless you repent, you will all likewise perish...”* Luke 13:3 (ESV)

*“...Jesus began to preach, saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”*  
Matthew 4:17 (ESV)

*“...repent and believe the gospel.”* Mark 1:15 (ESV)

### True repentance requires these two actions:

1. Turn from my life without God.
2. Turn towards a life with God

- **What do I believe about heaven?**
- **What am I living for?**

*“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasures are, there your heart will be also.”*  
Matthew 6:19-21 (ESV)

- **How can I be certain that I’m saved?**

*“...God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life.”*

1 John 5:11–13 (ESV)

### **7 Characteristics of a fully devoted follower of Jesus.**

1. We desire a personal relationship with God.
2. We have a hunger and thirst for His word.
3. Since God forgave our many sins, we forgive others.
4. We don’t have to be prompted to praise God.
5. We have a desire to serve others.
6. We practice gratitude.
7. We share the gospel.

Dear Jesus, I repent of my sins. I turn away from my life without you and turn towards a new life with You. Today, I choose to follow you and I receive the gift of your Spirit. Please help me to become like You. In Jesus’ name I pray, Amen.

Dear Jesus, forgive me for being complacent. Help me to be disciplined to pray, read your word, and make church a priority. Create in me a heart to serve others. Renew my spirit. In Jesus’ name, I pray, Amen.